IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of

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Serial No.: TBA 08/997, 411

Attn: Application Branch

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For: LIGHTING UNIT

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination and calculation of claim fees, please amend the instant application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claims 3,4,5, and 6 as follows:

Claim 3, line 1, delete "Claims 1 or 2" and insert therefor -- Claim 1--.

Claim 4, line 1, delete *2, or 3,".

Claim 5, line 1, delete "2, or-3,".

Claim 6, line 1, delete "2, or 3,".

Insert new claims 7-13 as follows:

-- 7. The lighting unit as defined in Claim 2, wherein a reflective layer is provided on each arbitrary surface other than the light-introduction surface and the light-emission surface so as to reflect and return light into said transparent body.

The lighting unit as defined in Claim 2, wherein the light-emission surface of said transparent body is a ring-shaped plane.

9. The lighting unit as defined in Claim 3, wherein the light-emission surface of said transparent body is a ring-shaped plane.

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